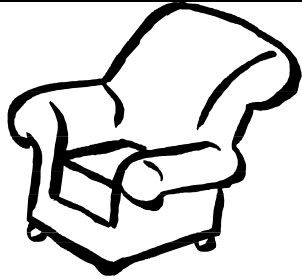




Waterfront

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From the Chair...

Hope you had a peaceful and happy Christmas and New Year. I hope you received many canoeing type presents. Since the last newsletter, I have had little or no chance of doing any kayaking, due to having had my operation; it was gratifying to see everyone being given the opportunity to partake on Boxing Day despite the indifferent weather from Canadians to K1. I hope you continue to take part, but why not try a different craft?

On the fundraising side the quiz night was a great success, was it a hare or a rabbit will never know, but we should not rest on our laurels, we need your support even more (He who rest on his laurels is wearing them in the wrong place)

We were hoping to have had an EGM to ratify the amended constitution however delays at Inland Revenue of over three months mean that this has not yet been possible. I hope that the Inland Revenue will make sufficient progress for

me to report favourably in the next newsletter, but on current form it looks like we will have to wait until our annual AGM

Lee Matthews

dusty.leemathews@tiscali.co.uk

21st Club Hasler Marathon

Sunday, 15th May 2005

Racing Starts 12 noon

**PLEASE come and enjoy
this annual event**

and either:

**RACE
or
Help
or
Spectate**

**Last year the race
attracted
190 competitors and
raised over £300.**

**Further details from
Brian Gandy 01252
622630**

***Please come and help
give the boat store a
spring clean on 10th
April. Contact Lee
Matthews for more info***

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NEWS

Sports England Top Community Club Status

During the last six months a sub committee of the club has been working closely with the local BCU Southern Regional Development Officer to gain accreditation to the nationally recognised Sports England – ‘Top Community Club’ status. This has and continues to be a significant piece of work but the benefits for the club appear to fall in three key areas.

- Members new and present can have confidence that our club management adheres to National Governing Body standards.
- The Quality of the club’s work can be formally recognised both at community and national levels.
- The club is in a stronger position to successfully bid for local and National grants. This will we feel be important when looking at needed equipment and possible future development of the boat house

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Cardington

Will be on the first May bank holiday from 30th April to 2nd May. All are welcome. For more info please contact Lee Matthews on 07950 232 193

Club Marathon, 15th May 2005

This will be the Club’s 21st Hasler Marathon. It is part of a National series and our race usually attracts over 100 entrants.

So, how can you support the Club at the Marathon? Well, you can:

RACE. IT IS AN EVENT OPEN TO ALL

All ages - from under 10’ss to over 70’s

All standards – from novice beginners to (last year) the Junior World Champion.

There has been lots of work looking at the plans, procedures and policies that sit behind club activity. All has been digested, circulated, cogitated, adjusted, updated, reinstated, re-revisited, re-circulated and eventually formulated often in meetings (involving home-made cake) well into the midnight hours.

None of this work has involved a canoe and water and little has changed to the paddling structure of the club. It is though encouraging us to look more formally at future plans and club development. All policies especially around children for example have to meet current legislation.

We hope to have gained accreditation by the early summer months as the final bits circulate around sub committee/committee. Many thanks to Lee Mathews, Richard Somerset, Chris Belton, Paul Jeffs and Jon Mudd for their work here.

Jon Mudd

All types of boats – racing boats, fast tourers, Canadians, general purpose boats, singles and doubles.

It is open to you! If you have not raced before join us at one of our practice sessions (details below). We will help you get started. Come along with a friend and try a double.

HELP. We would appreciate your help. On the day before the race – to clear and prepare the course.

On race day with car parking, booking in of competitors, refreshments, help with the starts, timing of races, turn marshals, safety marshals, prize giving and clearing up the site.

None of this is difficult and we will give you full instructions.

WATCH. It will encourage those of us racing and helping at the event to have your support. The start and finish is close to the Canal Centre and you can see all competitors at least twice in the section between Mytchett and Great Bottom Flash.

So one way or another, please give the Club your support.

Please give me a call or email me:

Brian Gandy 01252 622630

gandy@adslmail.newnet.co.uk

A milestone paddle: Sunday 5 June 2005

I intend to paddle from the Canal Centre to Colt Hill Wharf and back, a distance of 50 km (32 miles) to mark a personal milestone and for which I shall make a donation to the South West Thames Kidney Fund. If you would like to take part for all or some of the

trip as a personal challenge or simply to meet up with me part way, please call me for details.

Brian Gandy 01252 622630

Whitewater fun

Whitewater at Shepperton are holding a two day Kayak and Canoe show on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th June.

There will be boats to demo, lectures, coaching and a chance to meet with staff, other paddlers and plenty of other new kit too.

The following weekend on 26th at Nene there is a Whitewater day, boats to demo and all free!

For further details call 01932 247978 or

www.wwtcc.com

TRIPS AND TOURS

Boxing Day Paddle -Sunday 26th December.

If you weren't there you missed mulled wine, home made mince pies and lots of chocolates. (And that's just before we got on the water.) Paul Jeffs didn't quite get the festive theme, his Grim Reaper outfit more suited to Hallowe'en. The Biffen's Christmas tree was even better than last year, coming complete with fairy lights. The Chairman lay back in a Canadian like a modern day Cleopatra whilst his flunkeys paddled him along the canal. It was a bit cooler than Egypt however but the sun did shine and everyone had fun. Same again next year?

Liz

Dart trips Winter 2004

Like many best intentions trip reports get left too late so to ensure the 'Tupperware' boys do not feel left out here goes!

Too much rain, this does not happen very often when we are actually on a White Water trip but the weekend of October 23/24th was one of these.

Keeping an eye on the Dart cam (<http://www.riverdart.co.uk/winter/dartcam.htm>) is very useful guide to what we can expect for the weekend and we had all seen the river levels rising all week with more rain for the weekend. Meeting for a second breakfast in the café at the Dart Country Park we made the decision to paddle the lower section down to Buckfast as a warm up. This was erring on the side of caution with three in the group who had not paddled the Dart before (Dave Bevan, Jon Mudd and Tom Biffin) we chose the softer option as their first descent of this notable river.

With cars and clothes in the right place we set off. The river was certainly lively and rising all of the time so after a fun time we heard the ominous sound of Buckfast weir. 'Exit river left now!' was my command and with Keith performing a very creditable roll right in front of me we all safely got out just above this notorious weir. Well big was not the word I used and none present had seen it at this unfriendly level before. With such a large group we decided that a short walk from here to the cars was better than all trying to get out at the Little Chef with the river running so fast. Lawrence opted to join two other paddlers to finish this big and bouncy section.

One run was enough when we looked at the river now it had clearly risen another foot at least. We inspected the level at Holne bridge and were very surprised to see water charging through the side bridge sections! This indicated the river was about 6 foot higher than normal winter conditions!

Inspecting the river the following morning was quite surprising, it had dropped all of those 6 feet and we were therefore happy to paddle the loop section even with our 'Dart virgins!' We had a very enjoyable day introducing our virgins to the splendid features of the Dart and only a few wet heads to boot!

Can it get any lower? The December Dart trip was somewhat different to October i.e. with the river some 3 foot lower for a start. Not much to say about the trip really other than many new scratches on all of our boats but it was quite an experience all the same.

Richard Somerset

Barle in January

After an early start from Yateley on a cold Saturday morning, myself and Chris Hitchen met Merry, Hazel, Brian Biffin and his son, Nick at Marsh Bridge B&B, for the start of our weekend paddle on the Barle. Jon Mudd joined us a short time later in the morning.

After a short discussion on water levels we decided to paddle the long stretch from Tarr Steps to Dulverton. Having changed at the B&B and sorted out the transport we set off from Tarr Steps. A good days paddling with water grades between 1-2 there was plenty of play spots for the group ability to tackle. We all reached Dulverton fairly tired, but were revived with the Biffin mobile café, where real coffee and crumpets were served in Dulverton car park.

*Sunday started after a full **night's** sleep and a good breakfast at the B&B from Marsh Bridge, Jon had left us on Saturday evening to travel to Cornwall and was not able to re-join the group for this paddle. Water level from Marsh Bridge to Exe Bridge was higher, so the play spots had better potential for more fun.*

It was a great end to the weekend's paddling, where we all had a great time with a reasonable grade of water.

Keith

Brenda wants a mahogany sideboard.

The Tavy (pronounced as in gravy) is in deepest Devon near the borders with Cornwall so a Friday start was required. Martin Sanders, Alan Dressel and I travelled down together via a favourite bulb specialist of Alan's. We checked out the recommended egress point at Denham Bridge and met up with a club from Hertfordshire down for the week. We exchanged notes and learnt a little more about the grade 3 boulder section on the Tavy and the grade 4 slot on the Walkham. The section of Tavy we planned to paddle started in the middle of Tavistock right beside a convenient car park (£5 all day). Nigel Telfer joined us at the B&B in the evening for a Dressel style pasta dinner, plenty of needed carbohydrates!

After a hearty breakfast, cars and clothes in place we set off just below Tavistock weir. It was quickly clear that the Tavy certainly at these low to medium levels flows quite quickly and deep enough to be an easy paddle at grade 2/3. The scenery was great, the weather dull and overcast but the river entertaining. Rapids interspersed with flat sections but with a good flow and with some good play waves. Just after the confluence with the Walkham we came to the most interesting feature on this section of the Tavy a grade 3 boulder section. The run in to this feature needs care, boulders to dodge and a log jam far left to avoid just before a 2/3 foot narrow drop, good for tail squirts I discovered! The next feature is a weir with a long tow-back river right/middle with stepped drops river left. We were not impressed and portaged. A little further on we found ourselves at a low weir with an almost river wide surfing wave then around a bend to the egress point.

Over a relaxed garlic soaked dinner we discussed the options for our Sunday trip. The options being: the middle section of the Tavy with reports of trees and grade 3 plus, re-run of Saturday's trip or the river Walkham 3.5KM and then join the Tavy. The choice was simple the Walkham it was. With kit dried out and another hearty Devon breakfast inside us we arrived at the Lower Walkham get in. Looking much like the Marsh Bridge get in on the Barle at this point, narrow, fast flowing but deep enough not to bump into rocks all of the time. This quickly turned into a very enjoyable creek run. Then we came to the grade 4 ish slot drop. This was closely inspected from the safety of the bank. The drop was not too bad in itself, narrow entry at an angle, a 4 foot drop into a boily pool but just beyond a very pinnable narrow slot if you got it wrong! While musing over our decision another group came through who clearly knew the river. Of the 5 runs 3 needed a roll and a quick one at that. Nigel thought that his skills and boat (Corsica S) were up to it and volunteered to do a BCCC first descent. A perfect run but he very nearly went through the pinning slot backwards! A shorter creek run now took us down to the Tavy to repeat the run of yesterday. This time the river was up by 6-12 inches on the previous day and Nigel and I shot the weir river left down the steps with no problem. This time instead of getting out at Denham Bridge we continued down to Lopham Dam about 2 miles further on towards the estuary.

The flow had run out of steam by now so it was a real paddle through a pleasant meandering stretch down to the dam. Egress was river right and a simple walk across a causeway to the car park. This section is a tidal area, about 10 minutes after we got out a group of walkers had to remove their shoes and socks to get back across this causeway which was now awash.

A great weekend paddling and now we have another option for our rivers trips list albeit a little further west than normal.

Oh by the way Brenda, our farmer's wife landlady is looking for a large mahogany sideboard!

Richard Somerset

A BIT OF CLUB HISTORY

The Club Hasler Marathon Race

It is snowing outside. It is bitterly cold and I am sat here trying to find words to encourage you to come and support the Club's Marathon race. It got me looking back in old Newsletters and I find that this will be our 21st annual Hasler Race. I find, too, that there is nothing new in the world because 21 years ago my predecessor as race organiser was also trying to encourage members to race, help or support the event.

Our first race was held on 2nd June 1985. I am pretty sure I was there. I have got the event noted in my diary but, sadly, there is no report in the following newsletter to tell us how the event went which might have confirmed that I did race. If so, I have been to all 21 races although in the last 15 years as organiser, I have seldom raced. I would guess that Charles Hicks is the only Club member to have competed in every race.

For the first eleven years the race was held near the Barley Mow, Winchfield in a field just across the road from the canal. They were hard work. Preparing and setting out signposts for visiting canoeists. Taking all the equipment to the site. Pitching tents for booking in, refreshments and first aid. Pitching loo tents and digging disposal pits. This was all part of race preparation for many of our racers! Getting across the road on a fast corner and up onto the canal bankside was another nightmare. Crossing with a pram takes time: crossing with a canoe takes longer. We used to book the local Constabulary to come along to control the traffic, but they got fed up and did not come for the last 3-4 years. Another problem was that farmer Fisk kept his pride Jersey herd in the field. "Cowpat marathon" was a phrase I coined. It didn't really stick, but the cowpats did.

Nonetheless, we had some excellent events from there and it did establish the BCCC race as a friendly, enjoyable venue. Late in the Spring of 1996 the Jersey cows had disappeared and Mr Fisk had killed off all the vegetation with herbicide. We had to find a new venue at fairly short notice and moved the event some 4 miles towards Fleet at Velmead Community Centre. Racing took place from near the swing bridge at Crookham Village and out through Fleet. It was heaven to have a brick-built venue with toilets and proper car parking. However, competitors had to carry canoes down a lane for 300 yards or so which killed off some of their enjoyment and stretched out communications between the start/finish position and those doing entries and results in the hall.

Since 1997 we have held the event from the Canal Centre at Mytchett and it is just about as good a location as we could get for a canal-based race. We have all the facilities to hand. The start and finish are nearby which eases our administration. Race starts on a canal can have their problems. It is impossible to get all canoeists in one line across the canal but the start area we use, just below the road bridge near Potters, does give us additional width and then for the first 100 yards or so as paddlers race away from the start. Those of us in the lower rankings race down to Ash Wharf and back to finish at the Canal Centre. The faster paddlers race over distances of 8 and 11 miles in a circuit which takes them back past the Centre twice before finishing. There is ample access for spectators along the towpath and if you are in the area between the Centre and Great Bottom Flash, you will see all racers twice and those in the higher division four times.

So, can I encourage you to come and take part? The messages over the past 21 years have been much the same. Forget the word "marathon". To start with you would race over 4 miles – 2 miles if you enter the fun race. Forget the word "race" – just come and do your own thing. Forget about the competition. You will be competing against paddlers of your ability – the faster boys and girls will just be creating a few waves for you! Lastly, racing is for boys and girls, sons and daughters, mums and dads, grandmas and granddads. Get the message? It is a family event.

So I hope I have succeeded in my quest and that I see you at our race in May. Please give me a call if you want to try racing or if you can help at the event. That will be most appreciated.

Brian Gandy 25 Feb 20005

COACHING

Introductory Racing Course

Six weeks from Saturday 2nd April to Saturday 7th May, at 11 a.m.

The Marathon squad train Tuesday and Thursday evenings from about 7 - 7.15 and on Saturdays from 9.30.

You are very welcome to join us, no matter what racing experience you have.

In addition, on the Saturdays mentioned above, we will offer instruction to beginners in fast touring kayaks, singles and doubles.

The aim is to get you comfortable in paddling these types of boats and to give you some pre-race experience to prepare you to race in the Club Marathon.

You will be on the water for about one hour. The arrangements are subject to boat availability.

Come and give a go. There is no age limit. I have enjoyed racing for over 20 years, starting the wrong side of 40. (That means Mums and Dads can take part too) I reckon you would enjoy it too.

Contact: Brain Gandy 01252 622630
gandy@adslmail.newnet.co.uk

Well Done!

The following have passed their 3 star Canadian

*David Mantell
Lee Matthews
Keith Ambrose
Jane Roper
Merry Williams*

Thanks to Brian Biffin for all the coaching

Slalom Coaches

Paul Jeffs, Elaine Horner, Keith Ambrose, Mike Simpson and Merry Williams spent a weekend at Reading Canoe Club. After theory and practical sessions they have all qualified as Level 1 Slalom coaches. Congratulations to them all.

Club mark

Calling all coaches; as part of our on going effort in gaining Club Mark we will be calling a meeting of coaches. At that meeting we need you to bring a copy of your coaching record and first aid certificate. More information later.

Lee

YOUTH

Paddlepower 2005.

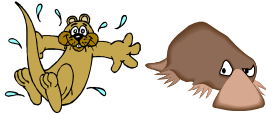
We are continuing with the successful Paddlepower scheme this year. Based mainly around Tuesday evenings at Mytchett, this gives youngsters a range of paddling experience and skills. This year's program will include some star courses and skills coaching as part of a varied program intended to give youngsters a grounding and foster continued interest in paddlesport. There will be a charge for each youngster taking part covering the April-September season. We will have no formal sessions in August due to the holiday season.

Paddlepower evenings this year start with an enrolment evening on April 12th and sessions from April 19th through to September 13th. To be sure of your place come along to the enrolment evening or contact Paul Jeffs beforehand. We will be honouring waiting list places from last year.

For youngsters not quite capable enough for Paddlepower yet or for those who want a taste of paddling and have not yet joined the club; we will have free paddle sessions on Tuesday evenings. This is dependent on boat availability and numbers. Non-members must register and are limited to two 'taster' evenings. ☺

Paul Jeffs

Otterly Fantastic Polo & Platypiily Fun



The Otters and the Platypii showed excellent teamwork and skill in the polo event of this year's Southern Region Paddlesport Challenge. The Otters did fantastically well – scoring the most goals of any team - 22 goals in 5 games.

The Otters won all their games bar one, so the points system placed them second in a field of 11 teams (despite having the highest number of goals), beating several older teams to get there.

The Platypii did well too; scoring 5 goals; winning one game, drawing three and losing one; coming fifth overall.

The polo series was hosted by the BCCC and held at Willink pool over three Saturday evenings in January. It's a firm favourite with all the clubs and we had over 84 different children attend. The scoring games were held without paddles and everyone had a chance of a paddle-polo session on the last evening. Many thanks to all those who helped, refereed, cheered, lifted, emptied, drove and encouraged.

The next event was the indoor 'Generation Game', held at Adventure Dolphin in March. This included the usual trials – jigsaw boat, throwlines, first aid and more. The Otters came 5th and the Platypii 8th in this event.

Next? The season rounds out with two more events. A whitewater fun event at Cardington (hosted by the BCCC) on 2 May and canoe sailing, prizegiving and a barbecue at Black Swan on 14 May. (We may also have a non-scoring visit to Nene during the warmer months for those who've taken part this year.)

Paul Jeffs

MARATHON

Watersides.

In previous years the club has entered a team for the Waterside series of races run by Newbury canoe club. This year was to be no exception. Pete Absolom and Paul Batchelor had decided it was essential training for their DW attempt. Tyson fancied a crack at the Junior series pot before he got too old and Brian Gandy teamed up with Richard Somerset for the K2 Vets series. During check-in for Waterside A they were joined by Mike Martin, a former member of the club, and a very fast K1 paddler. Tyson's plans went up in smoke at the first hurdle, an infection and copious antibiotics meant he couldn't compete at race A.

However the others put in some good times:-

Pete and Paul	2hr14'34"
Brian and Richard	2hr27'20"
Mike	1hr54'00"

(Despite Pete's wife "Running off with a younger man" or "Helping an injured lad" depending on who you listen too and the support crew scoffing the chocolate cake!)

B next and the weather was getting colder. The water wasn't too hot either as some crews discovered!

Pete and Paul	2hr52'17"
Brian and Richard	3hr02'51"
Mike	2hr35'39"
Tyson	3hr22'40"

For C the paddlers had to contend with ice on the canal which made the portages even longer. Snow the previous day meant that Mike didn't make it from Leighton Buzzard. It was Brian's turn to be on antibiotics and Tyson decided not to paddle either so the team was no more. Pete and Paul battled on though to finish in a time of 4 hr03'14"

D and even the supporters were getting thin on the ground. Excuses like "Fun runs" and "Ski trips" were dragged out to avoid getting to Devizes for 7am to see Pete and Paul off. The final times:5hr49'45" and 14hr59'50" for the series overall.

Well done, Good Luck for the DW attempt at Easter. If you want to know their schedule

Contact Charles Hicks on 01252 850657 . He can advise you on places and times to cheer them on.

Opinion was divided, was it better for the support crew to shout 'Abuse' or 'Encouragement'?



Just a little reminder; Club marathon on 15th May . Contact Brian Gandy if you want to race, help or spectate Tel 01252 622630

Hare and Hounds results

Hare and Hounds results are now online, you can check the latest scores and series points at <http://homepage.ntlworld.com/richard.somerset/results.html>

Paul Jeffs	1hr18'35"	9
Tim Middlehurst	49'21"	V
Chris Absolom	1hr00'00"	8
Alan Coleman	1hr06'36"	7
Tyson Simons&Charles Hicks	56'30"	6
Brian Gandy&Lis Coleman	1hr00'40"	5
Paul Batchelor&Pete Absolom	52'22"	4
Liz Murnaghan	1hr04'40"	3
<u>2 Miles</u>		

John Fawkner Corbett		
Feb 05		
Tracy Rees Clark	1hr12'22"	10pts
Richard Somerset	57'50	9
Paul Batchelor&Pete Absolom	53'19"	8
Alan Coleman	1hr7'36"	7
John Fawkner Corbett	1hr32'02"	6
Brian Gandy&Lis Coleman	1hr02'58"	5

POOL

Just a reminder of the session times

1st session: 6.00 to 6.40pm. Polo for younger members of club, though adults can join in to make up teams numbers or assist at poolside.

2nd session: 6.40pm to 7.20pm. Training / fun play.

3rd session: 7.20 to 8.00pm. Training.

Please, please remember to thoroughly wash out your own boat before taking it into the pool area. Make sure that you take all your property home afterwards.

Those who wish to attend please let me know via e-mail:

Keith.ambrose@ntlworld.com

Following a recommendation from the BCU we must draw your attention to the following statement: "Canoeing and Kayaking are "Assumed risk"- "Water contact sports""

In addition to the events listed on the calendar, don't forget the following "regular" sessions:-

Tuesdays 9.30am Mytchett Introduction to Placid Water Contact Liz Murnaghan 01276 514766

Tuesdays 7pm Mytchett General sessions start on April 12th For Marathon training, Contact Charles Hicks 01252 850657

Thursdays 9.30am Crookham Wharf Marathon training Contact Charles Hicks 01252 850657

Saturday Mornings at Mytchett Flat water coaching Contact Brian Gandy 01252 622630 and general paddling contact Jon Mudd 01252 629800

Most Saturdays Trip to local weirs or Nene Whitewater Centre Contact Dave Bevan 01276 502524 or Keith Ambrose 01252 523579

Editors bit

Have I mentioned the Club marathon yet? Just a reminder that it is on 15th May at the Canal centre, Mytchett. Homemade cake free to all competitors, what a great incentive to paddle! **CAKES** = Canoe And Kayaker Energy Source if you didn't already know. See you there.

Copy date for the next issue is 17th June

Email it to me at *liz.murnaghan@ntlworld.com*

Items suitable for younger paddlers are marked with a*

A few dates for the calendar.

Apr05		
3 rd	*	Pool session Contact Keith Ambrose <i>keith.ambrose@ntlworld.com</i>
10 th		Boat store Spring Clean Contact Lee Matthews 07950 232193
12 th	*	Paddlepower enrolments at Mytchett from 7pm Contact Paul Jeffs 01252 615412
16 th	*	Hare and Hounds Contact Charles Hicks 01252 850657
16 th	*	Paddlesport wavehopper Challenge Nene Contact: youth@bcu.org
17 th	*	Pool session Contact Keith Ambrose <i>keith.ambrose@ntlworld.com</i>
19 th	*	Paddlepower Sessions start at Mytchett (until Sept 13 th)
30 th /2 nd	*	Cardington Weekend Contact Lee Matthews 07950 232193
May05		
2 nd	*	Paddlesport Challenge at Cardington Contact Paul Jeffs 01252 615412
7/8 th	*	Winchester Slalom Contact Paul Jeffs 01252 615412
8 th	*	Pool session Contact Keith Ambrose <i>keith.ambrose@ntlworld.com</i>
14 th	*	Paddlesport Challenge sailing & BBQ Contact Paul Jeffs 01252 615412
15 th	*	BCCC Club Marathon Contact Brian Gandy 01252 622630
21 st	*	Hare and Hounds Contact Charles Hicks 01252 850657
21/22 nd	*	Orton Mere Slalom Contact Paul Jeffs 01252 615412
22 nd	*	Pool session Contact Keith Ambrose <i>keith.ambrose@ntlworld.com</i>
29 th	*	Reading Circuit Marathon Contact Charles Hicks 01252 850657
Jun05		
4/5 th	*	Langham Farm Slalom Paul Jeffs 01252 615412
5 th		Milestone Paddle Contact Brian Gandy 01252 622630
11/12 th	*	Windsor Vets Marathon Contact Charles Hicks 01252 850657
12 th	*	Pool session Contact Keith Ambrose <i>keith.ambrose@ntlworld.com</i>
17 th	*	Next BCCC committee meeting and copy date for Waterfront
18 th	*	Hare and Hounds Contact Charles Hicks 01252 850657
18/19 th	*	Canoe and Kayak show www.wwtcc.com
25/26 th	*	Cardington Slalom Contact Paul Jeffs 01252 615412
26 th	*	Reading Sprints Contact Charles Hicks 01252 850657
26 th		Nene Whitewater Day www.wwtcc.com
26 th	*	Pangbourne Youth Regatta Contact Paul Jeffs 01252 615412
July05		
9 th	*	Paddlesport wavehopper Challenge Nene Contact: youth@bcu.org
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